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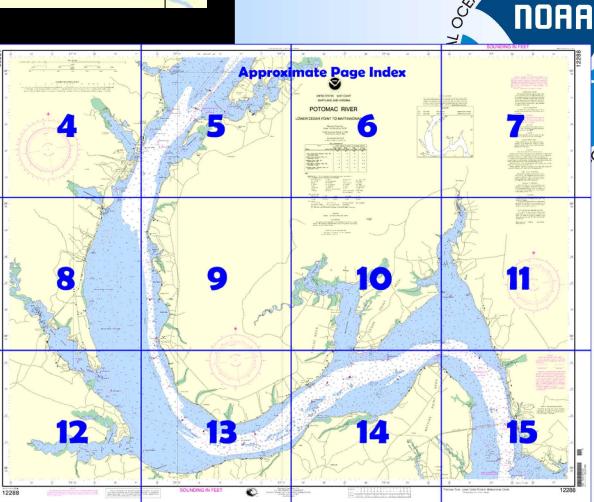
Potomac River - Lower Cedar Point to Mattawoman Creek

(NOAA Chart 12288)

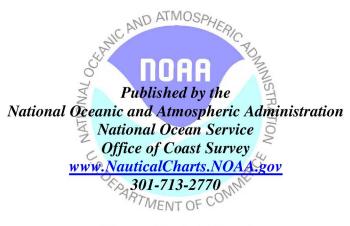


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This BookletChart is made to help recreational boaters locate themselves on the water. It has been reduced in scale for convenience, but otherwise contains all the information of the full-scale nautical chart. The bar scales have also been reduced, and are accurate when used to measure distances in this BookletChart. See the Note at the bottom of page 5 for the reduction in scale applied to this chart.

Whenever possible, use the official, full scale NOAA nautical chart for navigation. Nautical chart sales agents are listed on the Internet at http://www.NauticalCharts.NOAA.gov.

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Notice to Mariners Correction Status

This BookletChart has been updated for chart corrections published in the U.S. Coast Guard Local Notice to Mariners, the National Geospatial Intelligence Agency Weekly Notice to Mariners, and, where applicable, the Canadian Coast Guard Notice to Mariners. Additional chart corrections have been made by NOAA in advance of their publication in a Notice to Mariners. The last Notices to Mariners applied to this chart are listed in the Note at the bottom of page 7. Coast Pilot excerpts are not being corrected.



[Coast Pilot, Chapter 12 excerpts]

- (115) There is a small-boat basin and marina just above the Harry W. Nice Bridge. The entrance channel and basin have depths of 6 feet. Gasoline, diesel fuel, berths, and marine supplies are available..
- (116) A **danger zone** for military testing operations extends 4 miles upriver from the Harry W. Nice Bridge.
- (117) **Persimmon Point**. A 3-foot shoal is 0.6 mile southeastward of the point on the west edge of the channel.
- (118) **Popes Creek** is not navigable. The village of **Popes Creek** 0.2 mile northward, has limited quantities of gasoline available at a crabhouse pier.
- (119) Between Popes Creek and Upper Cedar Point, the Maryland shore of Potomac River bends northward 2 miles to form **Port Tobacco River Flats,** which have shoal spots of 3 to 5 feet but generally navigable

- depths of 7 to 10 feet. **Port Tobacco River**, at the head of the bight, has depths of 7 feet for 1.6 miles and thence 5 to 3 feet for another 1.3 miles. A light and daybeacons mark the channel.
- (120) **Port Tobacco** is now the head of navigation. Marinas at the town have gasoline, berths, and some supplies.
- (122) **Upper Cedar Point** is marked by a light shown from a skeleton tower on piles in depths of 3 feet on the north edge of the channel. Give the light a berth of at least 200 yards.
- (123) **Nanjemoy Creek** has a controlling depth of 4 feet in a marked channel to a small craft launching ramp 4 miles above the entrance.
- (124) **Metomkin Point**. A light, shown from a pile structure in depths of 1 foot 0.5 mile off the point, marks the shallowest part of a shoal area along the southeast edge of the channel.
- (125) **Maryland Point Light** (38°21.0'N., 77°11.9'W.), 42 feet above the water, is shown from a skeleton tower with a black and white diamond-shaped daymark on piles in depths of 9 feet on the south edge of the Potomac River channel. Other shoals east and west of the light are marked by buoys.
- (127) Gasoline and some supplies can be obtained at **Fairview Beach**. Depths to the fuel pier are 4 feet.
- (128) **Potomac Creek** is used only by small motorboats. The creek has depths of 7 feet in the entrance, thence 3 feet for 2 miles. The best water favors the south side of the entrance. Gasoline and water are available at small-craft facilities on the south side of the creek 1 mile and 2 miles above the entrance.
- (129) **Aquia Creek** has depths of 4 to 5 feet to the railroad bridge, and thence 2 feet to **Coals Landing.** The entrance is marked by lights and daybeacons. Small-craft facilities are on the south side of the creek close above and below the bridge
- (131) There is danger of striking submerged hulks in the mile-wide former restricted anchorage area that extended 2.5 miles upriver along the Virginia shore from directly opposite Smith Point.
- (132) **Mallows Bay** is a ship graveyard area; the western danger limit is a line from Liverpool Point to Sandy Point. A buoy marks the inner edge of the river channel off the bay. The southern part of the bay has unobstructed depths of 5 feet to the submerged wreck near the head. (133) An aviation school wharf at Mile 66.2W has depths of 8 feet at the outer end. The short dredged channel to the wharf has a reported
- outer end. The short dredged channel to the wharf has a reported controlling depth of 6 feet. About 0.2 mile north of the wharf, a diversion canal 5 feet deep connects **Chopawamsic Creek** with the Potomac River; three fixed bridges over the canal have a clearance of 10 feet.
- (134) Quantico is a training site of the U.S. Marine Corps. Except in emergencies, the pier and harbor are restricted to government vessels.
 (135) Quantico Creek has depths of 7 feet in a narrow, crooked
- entrance channel, and 2 feet for 2 miles upstream. The railroad bridge over the entrance has a clearance of 8 feet. An overhead power cable along the west side of the bridge have clearances of 8 feet. A small landing on the south side of the entrance is used by local pleasure boats.
- (137) **Chicamuxen Creek** has depths of 5 feet in the entrance, but shoals rapidly farther up
- (138) A **danger zone** of a Navy explosion test area includes part of Chicamuxen Creek and extends northeastward in Potomac River up to 0.5 mile off the Maryland shore for 5 miles to Indian Head.
- (141) **Mattawoman Creek** has easily navigated depths of 7 to 5 feet for 1 mile to the marsh that extends southeastward from **Deep Point** to the edge of the channel. The channel is marked by a daybeacon and lights. Above this marsh, the creek channel has greater depths for 3 miles, but meanders back and forth between the flats and is almost impossible to follow without a guide.. A pier and launching ramp is at **Sweden Point**. In October 1979, depths of 3 feet were reported to the dock.
- (142) **Powells Creek** has depths of 4 to 5 feet in the approach and 1 to 2 feet through the railroad bridge and for a short distance upstream.

Table of Selected Chart Notes

Corrected through NM Oct. 6/07 Corrected through LNM Sep. 25/07

HEIGHTS

Heights in feet above Mean High Water.

Mercator Projection Scale 1:40.000 at Lat. 38°28'

North American Datum of 1983 (World Geodetic System 1984)

SOUNDING IN FEET AT MEAN LOWER LOW WATER

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

Consult U.S. Coast Pilot 3 for important supplemental information.

NOAA WEATHER RADIO BROADCASTS

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The NOAA Weather Radio station listed below provides continuous weather broadcasts. The reception range is typically 20 to 40 nautical miles from the antenna site, but can be as much as 100 nautical miles for stations at high elevations.

Washington, DC (Manassas, VA)

KHB-36

162.55 MHz

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SUBMARINE PIPELINES AND CABLES Charted submarine pipelines and submarine cables and submarine pipeline and cable areas

Cable Area

Pipeline Area

Additional uncharted submarine pipelines and submarine cables may exist within the area of this chart. Not all submarine pipelines and submarine cables are required to be buried, and those that were originally buried may have become exposed. Mariners should use extreme caution when operating vessels in depths of water comparable to their draft in areas where pipelines and cables may exist, and when anchoring, dragging, or trawling.
Covered wells may be marked by lighted or unlighted buoys.

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NOTE B

UNEXPLODED ORDNANCE

Unexploded ordnance may exist within the charted limits River currents may have transported ordnance outside the areas shown.

Additional information can be obtained at nauticalcharts.noaa.gov.

SOURCE DIAGRAM

The outlined areas represent the limits of the most recent hydrographic survey information that has been evaluated for charting. Surveys have been banded in this diagram by date and type of survey. Channels maintained by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers are periodically resurveyed and are not shown on this diagram. Refer to Chapter 1, United States Coast Pilot.

AUTHORITIES

Hydrography and topography by the National Ocean Service, Coast Survey, with additional data from the Corps of Engineers, Geological Survey, and U.S. Coast Guard.

CAUTION

Improved channels shown by broken lines are subject to shoaling, particularly at the edges.

This chart has been corrected from the Notice to Mariners (NM) published weekly by the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency and the Local Notice to Mariners (LNM) issued periodically by each U.S. Coast Guard district to the dates shown in the lower left hand corner. Chart updates corrected from Notice to Mariners published after the dates shown in the lower left hand corner are available at patiently hand corner are available at nauticalcharts.noaa.gov

CAUTION

Mariners are warned to stay clear of the pro tective riprap surrounding navigational light structures shown thus:

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AIDS TO NAVIGATION

Consult U.S. Coast Guard Light List for supplemental information concerning aids to navigation.

WARNING

The prudent mariner will not rely solely on any single aid to navigation, particularly on floating aids. See U.S. Coast Guard Light List and U.S. Coast Pilot for details.

CAUTION

Temporary changes or defects in aids to navigation are not indicated on this chart. See Local Notice to Mariners.

During some winter months or when endangered by ice, certain aids to navigation are replaced by other types or removed. For details see U.S. Coast Guard Light List.

RADAR REFLECTORS

Radar reflectors have been placed on many floating aids to navigation. Individual radar reflector identification on these aids has been omitted from this chart.

This nautical chart has been designed to promote safe navigation. The National Ocean Service encourages users to submit corrections, additions, or comments for improving this chart to the Chief, Marine Chart Division (N/CS2), National Ocean Service, NOAA, Silver Spring, Maryland 20910-3282.

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SMALL CRAFT WARNINGS

During the boating season small-craft warnings will be displayed from sunrise to sunset on Maryland Marine Police Cruisers while underway in Maryland waters of the Chesapeake Bay and tributaries.

POLLUTION REPORTS

Report all spills of oil and hazardous sub-stances to the National Response Center via 1-800-424-8802 (toll free), or to the nearest U.S. Coast Guard facility if telephone communication is impossible (33 CFR 153).

TIDAL INFORMATION

TIBALINI OTIVIATION						
PLACE	Height referred to datum of soundings (MLLW)					
NAME	(LAT/LONG)	Mean Higher High Water	Mean High Water	Mean Low Water		
Lower Cedar Point, Potomac River, MD Mathias Point, Potomac River, VA Clifton Beach, Potomac River, MD Quantico, Potomac River, VA	(38°20'N/ 76°59'W) (38°24'N/ 77°03'W) (38°25'N/ 77°16'W) (38°31'N/ 77°17'W)	1.4 1.3	feet 1.6 1.3 1.2 1.5	feet 0.1 0.1 0.1 0.1		

Dashes (--) located in datum columns indicate unavailable datum values for a tide station. Real-time water levels, tide predictions, and tidal current predictions are available on the Internet from http://lidesandcurrents.noaa.gov.

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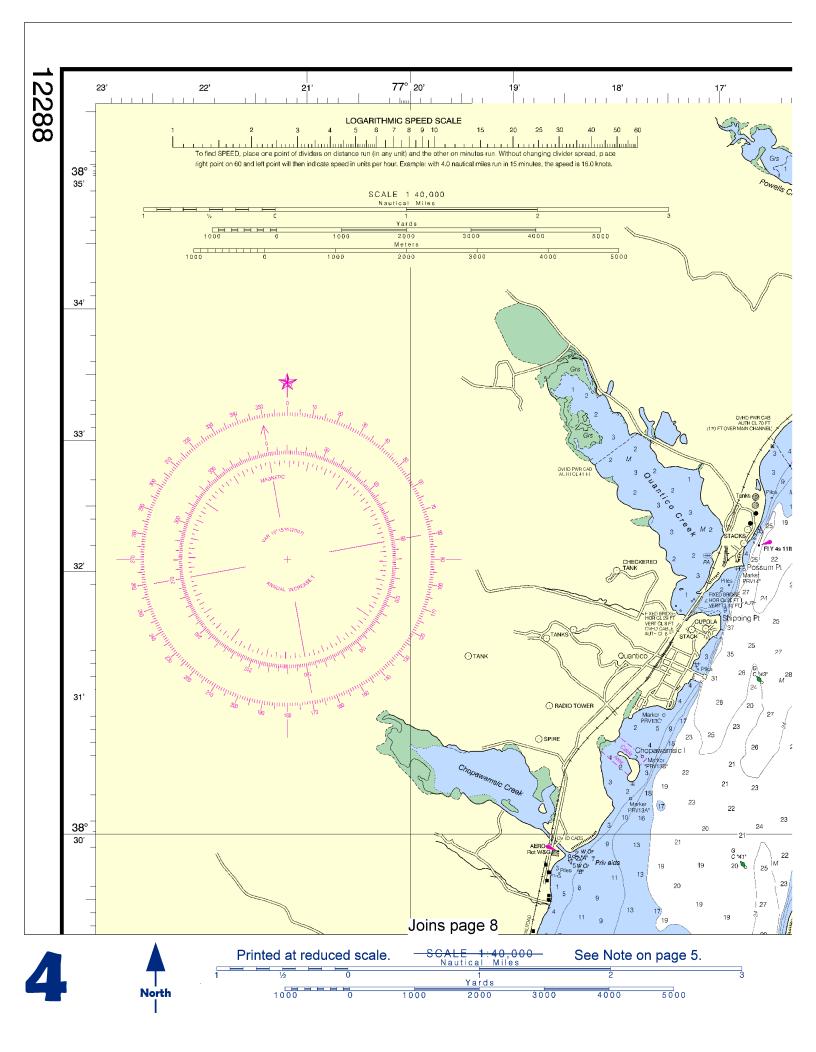
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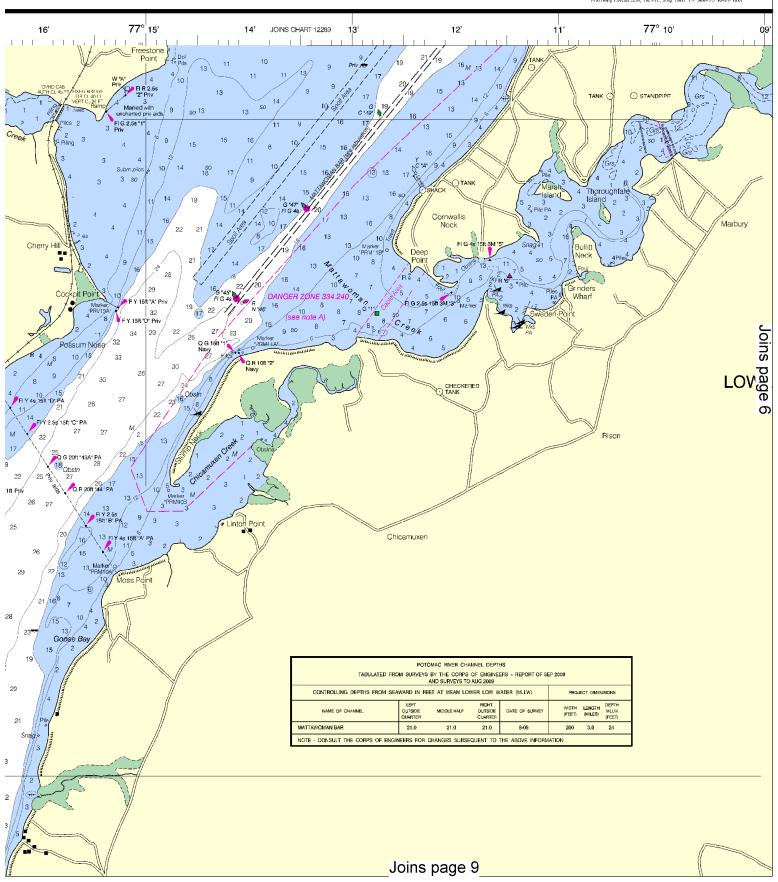
ABBREVIATIONS (For complete list of Symbols and Abbreviations, see Chart No. 1.)

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FI flashing			Ra Ref radar reflector	WHIS whistle		
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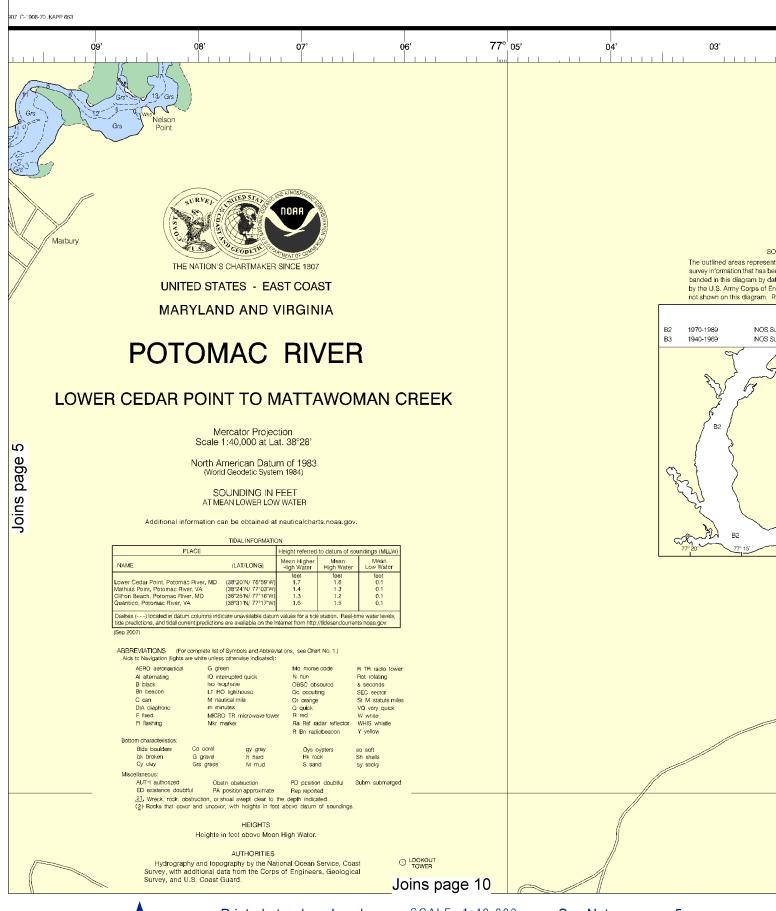
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POTOMAC RIVER CHANNEL DEPTHS									
TABULATED FROM SURVEYS BY THE CORPS OF ENGINEERS - REPORT OF SEP 2009 AND SURVEYS TO AUG 2009									
CONTROLLING DEPTHS FROM SEAWARD IN FEET AT MEAN LOWER LOW WATER (MILLW) PROJECT DIMENSIONS							SIONS		
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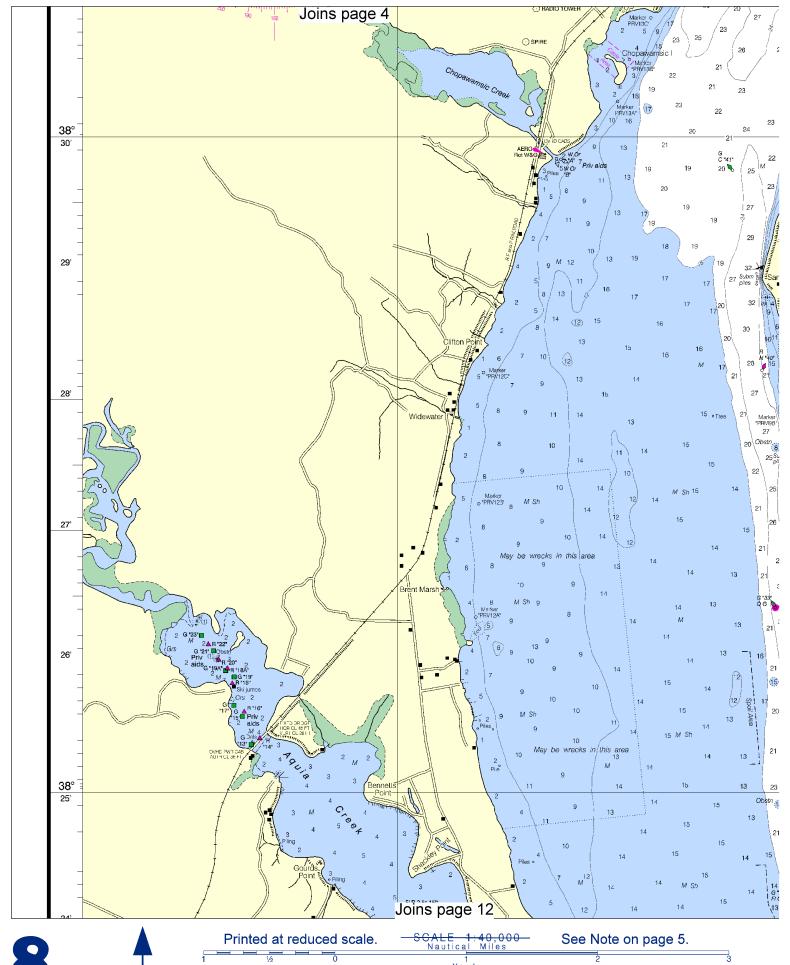
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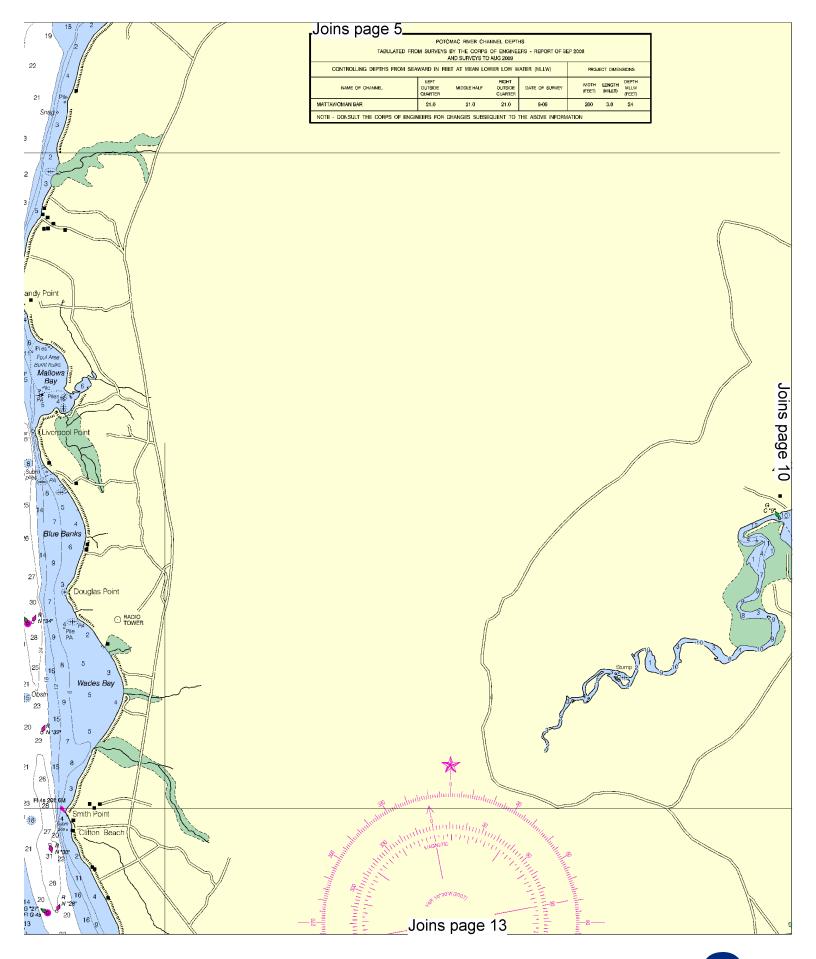


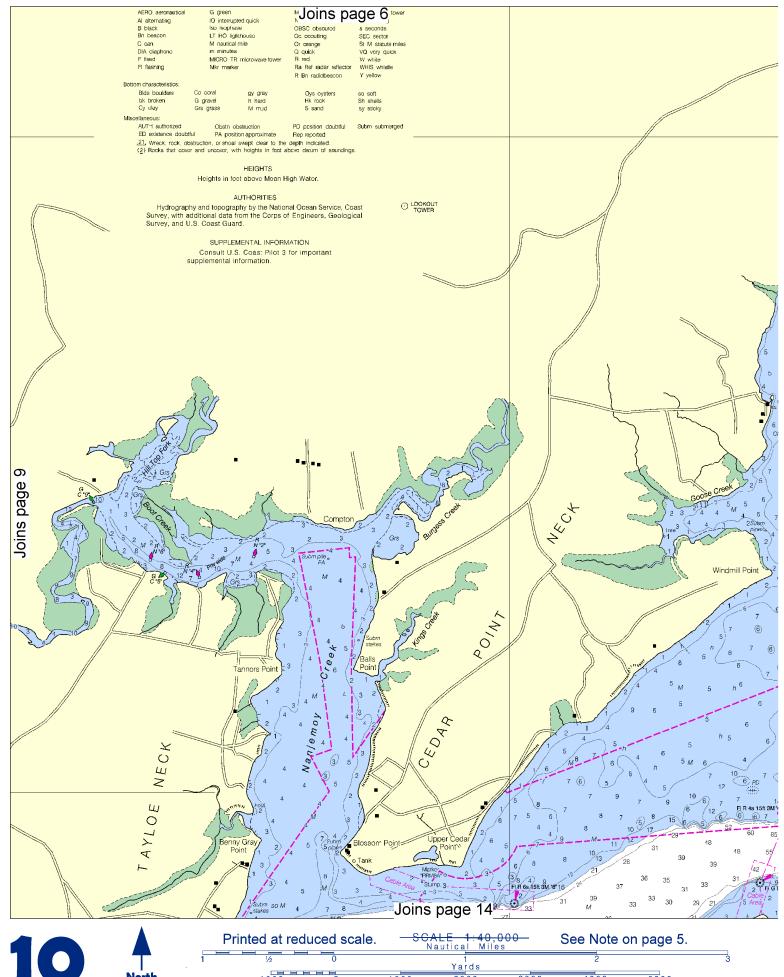
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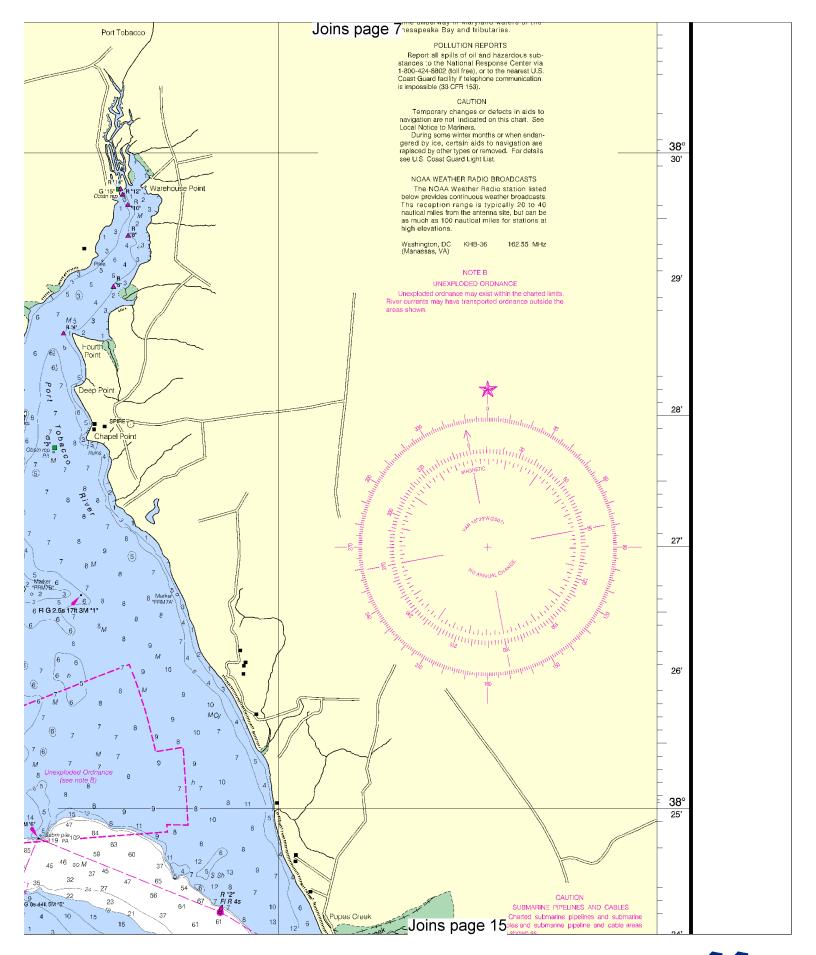


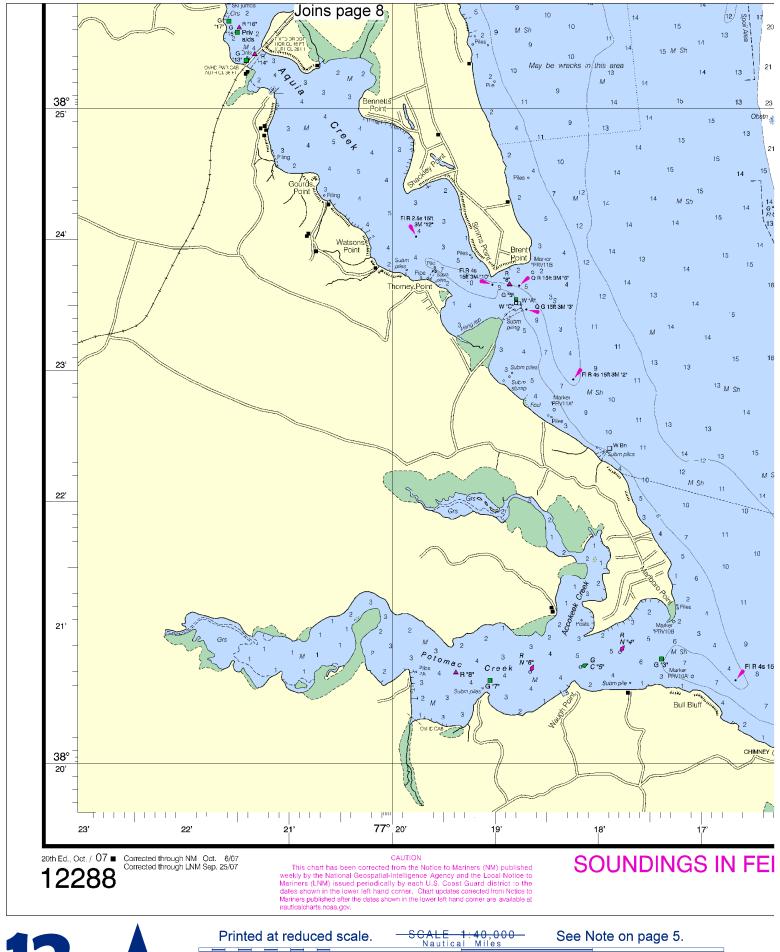






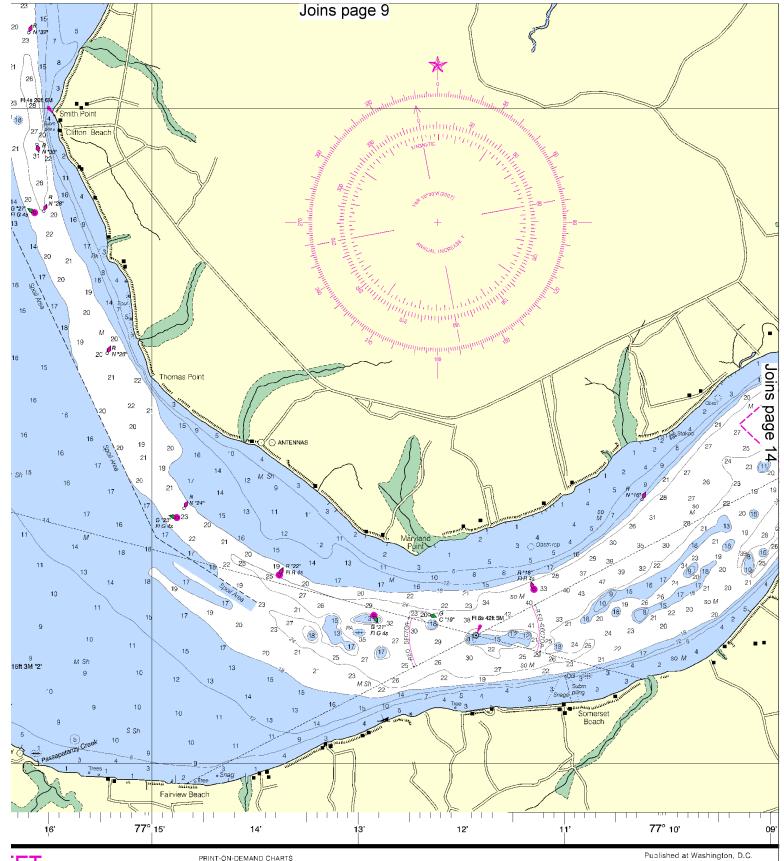
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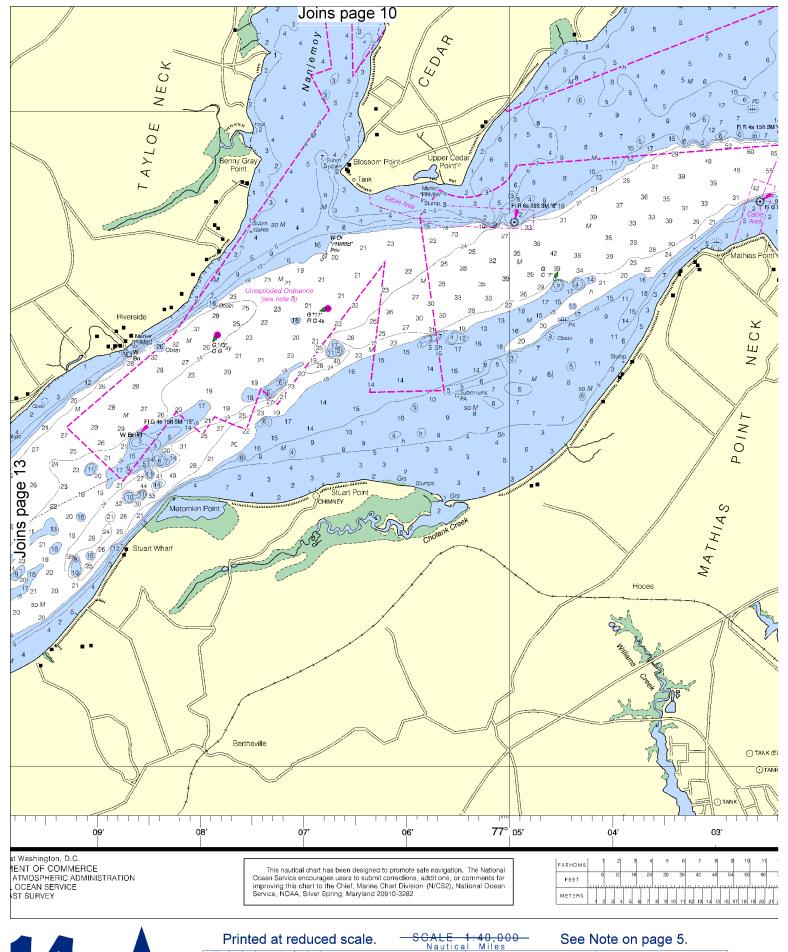




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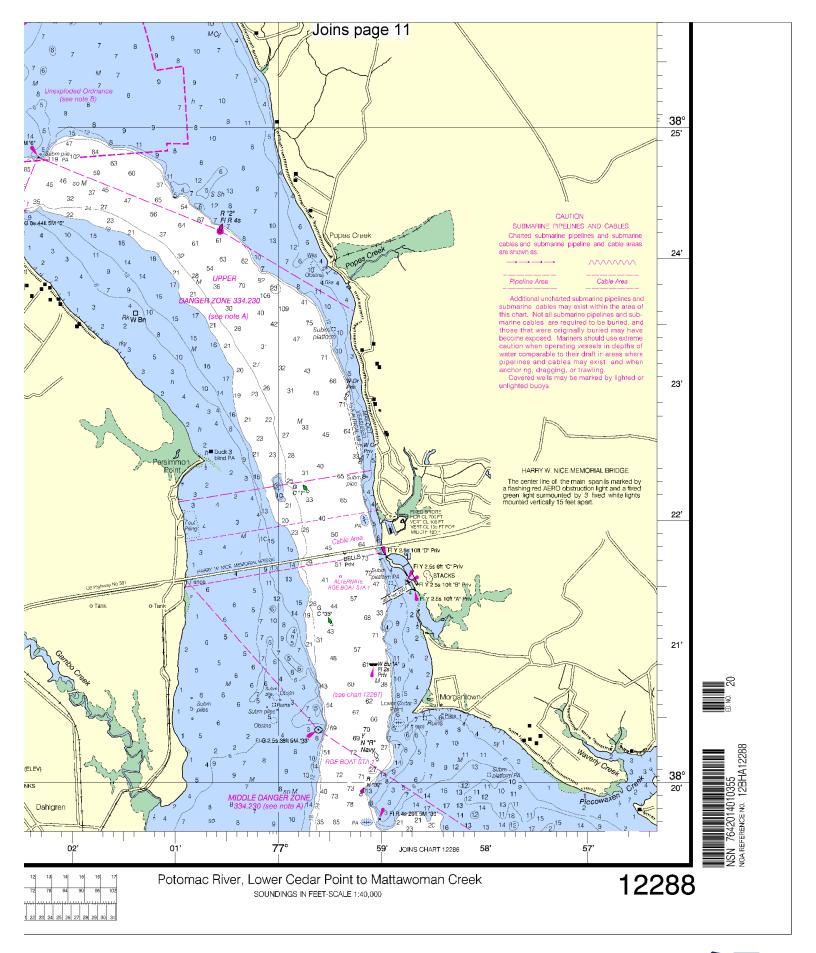
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- Make sure radio is on.
- 2. Select Channel 16.
- 3. Press/Hold the transmit button.
- Clearly say: "MAYDAY, MAYDAY, MAYDAY."
- Also give: Vessel Name and/or Description; Position and/or Location; Nature of Emergency; Number of People on Board.
- Release transmit button.
- Wait for 10 seconds If no response Repeat MAYDAY Call.

HAVE ALL PERSONS PUT ON LIFE JACKETS !!

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Coast Guard Search & Rescue - 800-418-7314/410-576-2525

Coast Guard St.Inigoes – 301-872-4344/4345 Maryland Natural Resources Police – 410-260-8888 Virginia Marine Police – 800-541-4646

NOAA Weather Radio – 162.400 MHz, 162.425 MHz, 162.450 MHz, 162.475 MHz, 162.500 MHz, 162.525 MHz, 162.550 MHz.

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